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For: **OPERATING DEVICE AND IMAGE
PROCESSING SYSTEM USING SAME**

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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Official Action dated August 31, 1999, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 15, 16, 23 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, favorable reconsideration
and allowance of all claims as presently presented are respectfully solicited. By